GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA

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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government has signed Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) for establishment of U.S.-India Aviation Co-operation Programme (ACP);

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the benefits likely to be accrued to both the countries as a result thereof; and

(d) the time by which the said MoU will be implemented?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI PRAFUL PATEL)

(a),(b),(c)and (d): The Government of India has initialed a Memorandum of Understanding on 23rd April, 2007 for establishment of US-India Aviation Co-operation Programme (ACP).

The purpose of the programme is to improve the coordination of U.S. assistance to the Indian civil aviation industry, including the identification o f aviation training and technical assistance needs, communicating U.S. aviation industry news, a n d improving coordnation with U.S. Government entities, including the Federal Aviation Administration(FAA), US Trade and Development Agency (USTDA) and the U.S. Department of Commerce. The programme would be funded with the assistance of USTDA.

The programme would help promote increased safety,operational efficiency and system capacity of the Indian aviation sector.